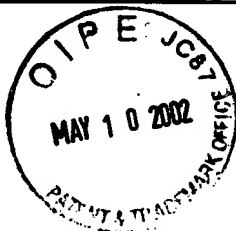


**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Docket Number (Optional)  
 31653-152135



In re Application of Uwe Heitmann

Application Number 09/482,679

Filed January 14, 2000

For APPARATUS FOR MAKING A STREAM OF TOBACCO SHREDS

Group Art Unit  
 1731

Examiner  
 Carlos N. Lopez

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

- ☐ One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$
- ☒ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$290.00 (\$400 less \$110 paid on 4/9/02)
- ☐ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$
- ☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$
- ☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ \_\_\_\_.

☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☐ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any <sup>extension</sup> fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 22-0261.

I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☐ attorney or agent of record.

☒ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a). 44,505.

**WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**

May 10, 2002

Date

Signature

Chad C. Anderson

Typed or printed name

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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below\*.

☒ \*Total of 2 forms are submitted.